



ASMC Newsletter . . . Mount Vernon Chapter

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Patricia Ackerman, CDFM

For anyone that missed the September luncheon, the food, location and speaker were all great. Josh Soloman, from RCW Consulting Group, spoke to us about life as a consultant. What a timely subject considering all of the "Outsourcing" being considered these days. A 10 October article in the Early Bird states, "Army Secretary Thomas White has approved a plan that could require that more than 200,000 Army jobs be put up for competition…".

Speaking of competition, your Chapter Vice-President, Ron Szatmary, has resigned from the position. Ron works in Crystal City and has not been able to participate, as he would like because of working so far from the Chapter. We will miss Ron greatly, especially his great ideas and participation at the National Professional Development Institute (PDI) Chapter Fair night. Ron did a fantastic job of planning and preparing our booth for the Chapter Fair last year. So again, speaking of competition, we now have a Chapter Officer position available.

The Vice President responsibilities include: Performs duties of the President during President's absence. Custodian of charter, seal, etc and ensures each are displayed at Chapter meetings and events. Ensures the democratic election of new officers. Is ex-officio member of all committees. Acts as alternate Awards and Scholarships Director. Acts as Chapter's chairperson for National's yearly Professional Development Institute (PDI). Performs other duties as directed by President and Chapter Executive Committee (CEC). Actively solicits new Chapter members. If President is unable to do so, submits President's Message to Newsletter Director no later than last Friday of each month.

So if you think you might be interested in this position, please notify any current officer or e-mail me directly at Patricia.C.Ackerman@usace.army.mil





12 September 02 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

by

Edna Plancon, Chapter Secretary

MINUTES OF THE 12 SEPTEMBER 2002 CEC MEETING

The CEC meeting of the Mount Vernon Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers was called to order at 1300 hours by President Pat Ackerman.

The following Officers were in attendance:

Patricia Ackerman, President Edna Plancon, Secretary Rita Roberts, Chapter Competition Steve Breyfogle, Services Director Jill F. Karayannis, Treasurer Diane Andrews, Award & Scholarship Director

The following Officers were excused:

Ron Szatmary, Vice President
Marticia Banks-Booker, Education Director
Mary Sutton, Membership Director
Stacey Royston, Newsletter Director
Deborah McLain, Publicity & Photography Director
Kevin Brooks, Web Master
Maj. Knowlton, Program Director
Rose Green, Social & Community Services Director

Information on upcoming Luncheons:

The October Luncheon will be held on 17 October at Paradiso's Italian Restaurant located at 6124 Franconia Road, at 11:30. The cost will be \$13.00 for members and \$14.00 for non-members. Chaplain Mickey Foxworth will be speaking to us about the "Effects of 9/11 on DOD".

Officer's Discussion:

President - Pat announced we have not heard from anyone regarding the \$100.00 donation we were contributing to honor the 9/11 victims. Pat also announced we will have the vote for elected officers at Professional Development Day. If you are thinking of

being a candidate for any of the positions on the executive board, please let us know. This would enable you to attend the Professional Development Institute

(PDI), workshops each morning for all positions on the executive board before taking office, if your Organization sends you to the PDI.

Vice President (Ron) No Report

Secretary - Edna will make reservations to have the next CEC Meeting at Red Hot & Blue on October 3^{rd.} Edna Also passed out Mount Vernon Chapter CEC Directory to those who had not received a copy.

Treasurer - Jill announced the chapter is financially healthy. She will also contact the Washington chapter about using their credit card machine for the Professional Development Day, offering them an annual fee that would be less than the monthly fee we would incur if we have our own machine.

Awards & Scholarship Director - Diane announced she mailed off the check to Miguel, who had won \$1,000.00 scholarship from the Mount Vernon Chapter, and a \$2,000.00 scholarship from National. Diane also motioned to have the CEC meetings at the HECSA complex. Was seconded by Rita – the motion carried. Diane mentioned we should be looking at purchasing new letterhead for the chapter.

Chapter Competition (Rita) No Report

Education Director (Marticia) No Report

Membership Director (Mary) No Report

Newsletter Director (Stacey) No Report

Program Director (Maj Knowlton) No Report.

Publicity & Photography Director (Deborah) No Report

Services Director - Steve announced he does not have a place to have our October Luncheon yet, but is working on it. Steve mentioned the "Art Auction", again, as one of our money-making projects.

Social and Community Services Director (Rose) No Report.

Web Master - Kevin has been given permission from the Director of HECSA, to set up a website on the server at HECSA.

- 5. The next CEC meeting will be held on Thursday, October 3, at 1100 at Red Hot & Blue on Telegraph road in Alexandria.
- 6. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1400 hours.

FORT BELVOIR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION NEWS

* No Haggle, No Hassle Car Sale:

Back by popular demand for two days only! Get dealers' best prices on all of the leading new cars without the Haggle and Hassle of negotiating.

Date/Time: October 19 & 20, 2002, Sat., 9:00-5:00 p.m.& Sun. Noon to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Patriot Center at George Mason University, 4500 Patriot Circle, Fairfax, VA

Six miles west of the Capital Beltway just off Braddock road

* As a sale bonus, we're offering: 3 months NO payments and \$100 Exxon Gasoline Card with Pre-approval

This offer couldn't get any better. Get deals on hundreds of new vehicle makes and models with superb credit union financing! Contact a Member Service Specialist for more details and loan pre-approval before this great sale begins.

Introducing the Payment Shaver Program:

When it comes to financing your car, you can trust us not to steer you wrong. Our number one priority is to make your auto financing easy and convenient. That's why we have provided another option to financing, the Payment Shaver Program. The Payment Shaver program offers the flexibility of a lease, but the structure of a conventional loan. Some benefits include:

- Lower monthly payments
- Increased mileage limit (up to 18,000 miles per model year)
- Flexible loan terms
- Various options at end of loan term

Financing your new car is now more convenient than ever. Call us for details about the advantages of our new Payment Shaver Program today.

Mortgages Coast to Coast:

We provide the most comprehensive service on nationwide mortgage lending. From the coast of Maine to the mountains of California, choose from a variety of mortgage products and rates to suit your needs.

- * Governmental loans (VA and FHA)
- * Conventional or Jumbo loan amounts
- * Fixed or adjustable rates

But our service doesn't stop there. With over 30 years combined experience, we can guide you through pre-approval, securing the right rate, and all stages of the mortgage process.

Whether you're a first time homebuyer or seasoned homeowner, contact our Mortgage Specialist today. We're here to serve all your mortgage needs.

Quick Tip

Now is a great time to start a Holiday Club Account:

If you save for special occasions, consider a holiday club account. Club accounts hold funds you earmark for the holidays until you're ready to spend them. Estimate your holiday expenses to determine how much you should save each month, begin saving, and cash in your account in time for the holidays. It's just that easy. Contact us today to open your holiday club account!

Fort Belvoir Federal Credit Union 14040 Central Loop, Woodbridge, VA *Phone: 703-730-1800 E-Mail: ftbfcu@ftbfcu.org * Web Site: http://www.ftbfcu.org/





NATIONAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mid-Year National Council Meeting:

DATE: 19-20 November 2002

LOCATION: Crystal City Hyatt Regency

This event will provide an opportunity to be updated on current resource management issues. In addition to DOD presentation, you will provide input to the program for PDI 2003, receive ASMC Leadership Training, and receive an update on the Certification Program.

Erroneous Payment Seminar:

HOST: Senior Executives Association (SEA

DATE: 30 October 2002 **TIME**: 1300 – 1600

LOCATION: National Press Club, Washington

D.C.

POC: David Ridley, <u>DavidRidley@mastercard.com</u>

or you may call 703-518-8886 (Ext. 770)

This event will be open to the first 100 people who register. Those eligible to attend are senior executives and GS-15 and GS-14 personnel who have significant responsibilities in general or financial management. There are no costs for the participants. Senior level speakers from both government and the private sector will discuss key problems and solutions regarding financial management systems.

PDI 2003: Financial Management...and all that Jazz!

Mark you calendars now for PDI 2003 in New Orleans, 27 – 30 May. Registration for members is estimated at \$440. More details will be provided, as they become available, at www.asmconline.org. The registration mailer will be mailed to all members in mid-February 2003. Suggested workshop topics should be provided to ASMC National Headquarters before the end of October.

INSTALLATION VISITATION PROGRAM:

In an effort strengthen our chapters, ASMC began a program of chapter visits two years ago. The goal of this initiative will be to bring as many chapters as possible to "Five Star" status, as five star criteria defines the basic parameters of a healthy chapter. Each visit will consist of minimum of one to two days and will be conducted using a standard list to assure that the content of all such visits are similar. A minimum of one senior representative from ASMC, Headquarters will conduct the visit and when possible, will be accompanied by a Five Star chapter president. They will meet with the local chapter president and all of the officers to review chapter operations as they pertain to the established five star criteria.

ASMC will also try to meet with representatives from the installation's chain of command to emphasize the positive role the ASMC chapter can play on the installation, and to discuss the professional development mission of ASMC in general in support of the Department. As an added benefit, the visits can be scheduled to coincide with a monthly luncheon meeting and the visiting staff will be pleased to do a presentation on the CDFM certification program, individual professional development or any other ASMC related topics.

To get scheduled, please contact John Raines, at raines@asmconline.org or call 800-4625637 (Ext 232).

MAILING LIST POLICY:

The privacy of membership is a top priority. It national policy that the mailing list of membership is not old to any entity, and only provided for training events that we feel are of great value to the membership. Chapters should note that listings of membership should not be sold or provided to any member or organization. The quarterly rosters and requested electronic data are for chapter administrative use **ONLY**. All requests for the mailing list should be directed to LTG James McCall, Executive Director, at mccall@asmconline.org

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Membership Corner

By Mary Sutton

A warm welcome to our newest members:

Judy Akers, RDAISA, Radford, VA
Amelia Barnett, HECSA, Fort Belvoir
Kevin Brooks, HECSA, Fort Belvoir
Cecilia Carroll, AAA, Fort Belvoir
Elizabeth Casciaro, AAA, Fort Belvoir
Carole Hall, DAU, Fort Belvoir
Maribelle Jocson, HECSA, Fort Belvoir
Michael Kennelly, DCSPRD, Pentagon
Shay Kesterson, INSCOM, Fort Belvoir
Carolyn Napper, NAVY, Arlington
Susan Nichols, HECSA, Fort Belvoir
Sara Quesenberry, TEC, Fort Belvoir
Gary Simpson, DCAA, Fort Belvoir
Albert Starves, USAF, Pentagon
Karen Walker, PEO Soldier, Fort Belvoir

To access membership information and application online please go to the following website:

http://www.ascmconline.org/membership/

I am asking each member to bring a friend to our to our October ASMC Luncheon - looking forward to meeting you all.

CDFM INFORMATION

In a memorandum dated 12 August 2002, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller (OUSD (C)) announced that it has centrally budgeted funds to be used exclusively to pay for professional certifications, licenses and related expenses. It asked military departments and defense agencies to submit their requirements for funding fiscal year 2003. The Certified Defense Financial Manager is one of the many certifications on the approved list. OUSD (C) point of contact is Geri Manning, who can be reached at manning@osd.pentagon.mil or by phone at 703-602-0155



October Luncheon

WHEN: Thursday, October 17^{th,} 1130

WHERE: Paradiso's Ristorante Italiano

6124 Franconia Road

SPEAKER: Fort Belovoir Chaplain Mickey

Foxworth

TOPIC: "Effects of 9/11 on DOD"

COST: \$13.00 members/\$14.00 non-

members

MENU: Buffet - Wide Variety

November Luncheon

WHEN: Thursday, November 14th, 1130

WHERE: Mount Vernon Inn

SPEAKER: To be determined

TOPIC: To be determined

COST: To be determined

MENU: To be determined



Education News:

HAT'S OFF!!!!...

Congratulations to Miguel Luis Guerra, of Dumfries, Virginia, who has been selected as one of National's scholarship recipients! Miguel, who was one of our local Mt. Vernon Chapter scholarship winners of a \$1,000.00 check, has also received an additional \$2,000.00 towards his college expenses. Miguel graduated from Potomac Senior High School and is a freshman at the University of Virginia. Miguel's family of six moved into the area originally from the Philippines in 1995. He has worked very hard (as have his parents) to further his education. As one of the two application packets forwarded to ASMC Headquarters, we are very pleased Miguel was awarded this honor.

National Awards Program:

AWARD	ELIGIBILITY	<u>DUE DATE</u>
Individual & Team Achievement Corporate Member Essay Contest Research National Scholarship Program Members Continuing Ed Grants Annual Chapter Report Chapter Leadership	Anyone Corporate Member ASMC Members ASMC Members H.S. Seniors ASMC Members Chapters ASMC Members	31 January 31 January 28 February 28 February 31 March 28 February 10 April 10 April
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Community Services:

A great big thank you to those who volunteered for the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon in support of the Mount Vernon Chapter:

Kevin Brooks
Patricia Ackerman
Tom Fairbank
Pat Howard
Tracy Livesay (Pat's daughter)

and to Rose Green for all of her hard work organizing the effort!!!

ASMC, Mount Vernon Chapter Website:

The website is scheduled to be up and running by 17 October 2002. Please provide any suggestions you have for the website to Kevin Brooks at kevin.brooks@usace.army.mil.



ASMC, Mount Vernon Chapter, Community Service Project

Holiday Care Packages for Deployed Soldiers

The Mount Vernon ASMC chapter will be collecting items at the October and November ASMC luncheons to ship to soldiers deployed in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Guantanomo Bay (Cuba), and other locations throughout the world. Items being collected include:

- Individually wrapped candies (Twizzlers, Tootsie Rolls, Bubble Gum, etc.)
- Packaged cookies
- Peanuts, pretzels, other snack foods
- Pre-sweetened Kool-Aid, ice tea mix, Gatorade mix
- Batteries
- Wet-wipes
- Wrap-around sunglasses
- Small pencil sharpeners
- Blank greeting cards
- Holiday/patriotic decorations
- Small board games such as chess, checkers, dominoes, puzzles, etc.
- Recent paperback books
- Videos (movies), music CDs and cassettes
- Toiletry items (to include: shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shower soap/gel, chapstick or lip balm, foot powder, sunscreen)

Please support the soldiers overseas during this upcoming Holiday season. Donations can also be brought to Rose Green, <u>rose_green@hq.dla.mil</u>, (703) 767-7266 (DLA, room 2745), or DRM, Fort Belvoir, BLDG 269.

Luncheon Trivia

Let the games begin. Come to the October luncheon with the correct answers to the football word teasers listed below and win a prize!!!! You must be present at the luncheon to win.

Name the football team that matches the word teasers.

- 1. Pants not his
- 2. Thieves
- 3. Loaders
- 4. \$1.00 for corn
- 5. Credit Card users

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